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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for filing in connection with the above-identified application.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the above-captioned application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please amend the drawings according to the attached set of figures, on which the amendment is indicated in red ink. Specifically, in Figure 4, please the box around the legend for visual clarity; in Figure 6, please remove the extra wedge in between the amido group and cyplopentyl group in structure of Indinavir; and in Figure 7, please move the word "Frequency" to the y-axis, as shown on the hand annotated pages.

REMARKS

Any fees that may be due in connection with filing this paper, or during the entire pendency of this application, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1213.

Amendments have been made to Figures 4, 6, and 7 to correct typographical